

### Edwards Secures Transportation Funds for Brazos County

(WASHINGTON, DC) – At the request of Brazos County leaders, Congressman Chet Edwards has secured funding to help Brazos County improve public transportation under the 2011 Transportation Appropriations bill, which passed the House Appropriations Subcommittee July 1<sup>st</sup>

*“Improving transportation in Brazos County will benefit the local economy, reduce congestion, and help address the needs of growing community,”* said **Edwards, a senior member of the House Appropriations Committee**

**Mayor of College Station Nancy Berry** said, *“We’re very appreciative of Congressman Edwards and his efforts to improve transportation infrastructure and mobility in College Station and Brazos County. This funding will help us plan for future transportation needs.”*

Specifically, Edwards secured \$150,000 for the Bryan-College Station Public Transportation Initiative. The Texas Transportation Institute recently completed a preliminary study interviewing entities throughout the area regarding the need to develop a community-wide Public

Transportation program.

This funding will allow for the development of such a plan, including presentation of detailed routes, equipment requirements, headways, etc. It would also identify phasing options and facilities to be developed, as well as presenting funding options to operate and develop the system.

The bill must still pass the House, Senate, and be signed by the President.